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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, MAY 10, 2000

APPLICATION OF

GAMEWOOD TELECOM, INC.

Case No. PUC990237

For certificates of public  
convenience and necessity to  
provide local exchange and  
interexchange telecommunications  
services

FINAL ORDER

On February 2, 2000, Gamewood Telecom, Inc. ("GTI" or "Applicant"), completed an application for certificates of public convenience and necessity with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. GTI also requested authority to price its interexchange services on a competitive basis pursuant to § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia.

By Order dated February 17, 2000, the Commission directed the Applicant to provide notice to the public of its application, directed the Commission Staff to conduct an investigation and file a Staff Report, and scheduled a public hearing to receive evidence relevant to GTI's application.

On April 11, 2000, the Staff filed its Report finding that GTI's application was in compliance with the Rules Governing the Offering of Competitive Local Exchange Telephone Service ("Local Rules") and the Rules Governing the Certification of Interexchange Carriers ("IXC Rules").

Based upon its review of GTI's application, the Staff determined it would be appropriate to grant the Applicant certificates to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services subject to the following conditions: (1) any customer deposits collected by GTI shall be retained in an unaffiliated third-party escrow account until such time as the Staff or Commission determines it is no longer necessary; (2) GTI shall provide audited financial statements to the Division of Economics and Finance no later than one (1) year from the effective date of its initial tariff; and (3) at such time as voice services are initiated by GTI, GTI shall provide/comply with all requirements of § C of the Local Rules.

A hearing was conducted on April 25, 2000. GTI filed proof of publication and proof of service as required by the February 17, 2000, Order. At the hearing, the application and accompanying attachments, and the Staff Report were entered into the record without objection.

NOW THE COMMISSION, having considered the application and the Staff Report, finds that GTI should be granted certificates

to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services subject to certain conditions. Having considered § 56-481.1, the Commission further finds that GTI may price its interexchange services competitively. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) Gamewood Telecom, Inc., is hereby granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity, No. TT 93A, to provide interexchange services subject to the restrictions set forth in the Commission's Rules Governing the Certification of Interexchange Carriers, § 56-265.4:4 of the Code of Virginia, and the provisions of this Order.

(2) Gamewood Telecom, Inc., is hereby granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity, No. T-486, to provide local exchange telecommunications services subject to the restrictions set forth in the Rules Governing the Offering of Competitive Local Exchange Telephone Service, § 56-265.4:4 of the Code of Virginia, and the provisions of this Order.

(3) Should GTI collect customer deposits, it shall establish and maintain an escrow account, held by a third party, to hold such funds and shall notify the Division of Economics and Finance of the escrow arrangement. Any escrow arrangement established pursuant to this Order shall be maintained for such time as the Staff or Commission determines necessary.

(4) GTI shall provide tariffs to the Division of Communications which conform with all applicable Commission rules and regulations.

(5) GTI shall provide audited financial statements to the Division of Economics and Finance no later than one (1) year from the effective date of GTI's initial tariff.

(6) Once voice services are initiated by the Company, GTI shall provide/comply with all requirements of § C of the Local Rules.

(7) Pursuant to § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia, GTI may price its interexchange services competitively.

(8) There being nothing further to come before the Commission, this case shall be dismissed and the papers filed herein placed in the file for ended causes.